

# Iron County Register

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

## CURRENT TOPICS.

### The News in Brief.

M. R. W. HITTER, of St. Louis, Mo., was re-elected President of the International Typographical Union.

An English cutter has been seized by the German dispatch boat Pommerania for fishing in prohibited waters.

The failure of the Shickamaxon Bank at Philadelphia, Pa., proves to have been a bad one. Liabilities about half a million.

It is semi-officially announced at Paris that Bismarck offered to arbitrate for the settlement of the dispute between Russia and England.

The Tories are jubilant and the Liberals disconcerted by the statement from Earl Grey that the Afghan boundary matter is not yet settled.

Colonel Stephenson, chief of the middle division of the Pension Office, has been requested to resign. The grounds have not been made public.

The Baron Roger, on the occasion of Hugo's funeral at Paris, tried to protect his grounds by putting out glass on the walls, but the populace would not allow it.

The total exports of mineral oils during the ten months ended April 30th, 1885, were 488,766,148 gallons; during the corresponding period last year, 416,674,453 gallons.

Russia has presented a scheme in the Bundestag for a canal from the North Sea to the Baltic, to cost 156,000,000 marks, Prussia to pay 50,000,000 and Germany 106,000,000.

MAYOR HARRISON of Chicago has issued an order that all gambling-houses not closed on or after the 1st inst. will be raided by the police, and their occupants arrested and their apparatus destroyed.

In the Canadian House of Commons on the 8th, Mr. Laidlaw inquired of the Government what steps have been taken for the trial of Riel, and whether an effort will be made to have Gabriel Dumont extradited.

LIBERTY HALL, the old home of Alex. H. Stephens, at Crawfordsville, Ga., has been deeded to the Stephens Memorial Association. Mr. Stephens' remains will be removed on the 10th inst. from Atlanta to Liberty Hall.

JUNK dealers at Baltimore, Md., are charged with dealing in bed ticking bought from steamships and used by emigrants. It is thought to be a very dangerous practice and liable to be the means of communicating disease.

THERE were 162 failures in the United States reported to Bradstreet's during the seven days ended the 5th, against 161 in the preceding week, and 182, 148 and 130 in the corresponding weeks of 1884, 1883 and 1882, respectively.

At a meeting of citizens of New Orleans on the 3d to consider the question of continuing the World's Fair, it was unanimously resolved to reopen the exhibition next fall, whether the Government exhibition remains or not.

The jury in the case of John A. Drew, who has been on trial in Washington, D. C., for presenting false vouchers against the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery of the Navy Department, brought in a verdict of acquittal.

A CITIZEN of Montreal, Can., named Quillette has brought suit for \$10,000 damages against Dr. Berry, City Vaccinator, for causing the death of two of his children with impure lymph. The doctor says the children died from measles.

RAYMOND SCHROCK, the alleged dishonest Post-office clerk, who fled from Haineslock, Bohemia, with money belonging to the Austrian Government, has been held for extradition by United States Commissioner Shields at New York.

COMMISSIONER SPARKS, of the Land Office, has made the following order: Final action of this office on all pre-emption and homestead entries in the San Francisco and Humboldt districts, will be suspended until the same have been examined by special agents.

VICTOR HUGO's funeral on the 1st was the greatest demonstration of the kind Paris has ever witnessed. The solemnity of the occasion and the words of the orators seemed to awe even the Communists into decency, and there was no rioting or exhibition of disorderly conduct.

J. M. REYNOLDS met a horrible fate at the Southern Hotel, St. Louis, Mo., on the morning of the 2d. He fell or threw himself from the third story to the ground floor in the rotunda, and was instantly killed. He was sixty years old, and formerly First Auditor of the United States Treasury.

The Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum convened in general session at Buffalo, N. Y., on the 2d. The financial report showed \$45,549 paid and 12,062 half-rate members as reported on January 1st to the Insurance Commissioners, and that insurance amounting to \$15,954,000 is at present carried by the members.

The chief of the Post-office inspectors has been informed that Postmaster L. H. Hibbs of Leavitt, Idaho, issued money orders to the amount of \$15,000, and was payable to himself, ordered banks in different cities to collect them and forward the money to him, and then absconded. He was last heard from at Victoria, British Columbia.

The Commissioner of Pensions has stricken off the list of pensioners the names of about 200. He said that a unit of Columbia, who were found not to be entitled to pensions, either because they had recovered from their disabilities or are not dependent upon the Government. In some cases the parties were dead, still more, widows had married again.

The select committee of the Senate upon Inter-State commerce has arranged a programme for the month of June. Its next meeting will be held in Chicago on the 12th inst., four days; in St. Louis, two days, beginning on the 17th; two days in Des Moines, beginning on the 11th; two in Omaha, beginning on the 23d, and two in St. Paul and Minneapolis, beginning on the 24th.

The public debt statement issued on the 1st shows the increase of the public debt during the month of May, according to the old form, to be \$4,425,481.91; decrease of debt since June 30, 1884, \$54,500,714.89; cash in the treasury, \$479,574.92; gold certificates outstanding, \$440,600,770; cert. refunding certificates outstanding, \$27,304,000; legal tenders outstanding, \$246,081,016; fractional currency, not including amount estimated as lost or destroyed, \$6,005,895.88.

## PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Russia has determined on a general increase of tariff rates.

STRIKING employees of the Kentucky Central Railroad have become riotous at Covington.

The Prime Minister of Madagascar is said to have been strangled by the war party.

The English and French have come to an amicable understanding as to the conduct of the foreign press in Egypt.

The Board appointed to examine and report on the fortifications and defenses of the United States met at the War Department in Washington on the 3d.

Dr. LOR, at Cincinnati, who killed his brother-in-law, was discharged by the Coroner, he deciding that the killing was in self-defense. The Police Court took similar action.

HERBERT SPENCER has stopped the publication of his book in America. Frederic Harrison charges cause his action.

A NORWEGIAN named Johnson will attempt to cross the Atlantic from Queens-town to New York, in a small boat, and over and above the appropriations.

The French Minister of Public Instruction, M. Goblet, takes Archbishop Guibert seriously to task for his protest against the dissolution of the Pantheon.

PHILLIPS and Maxey Cobb are matched to trot at Cleveland on July 4th for \$5,000 a side. The Association also adds \$5,000 for the winner.

J. J. JAMES, with a wife and child in Chicago, has been living at a New York hotel with another woman. Paying his bills with worthless checks caused his arrest and exposure him.

MURDERED Louis Johnson, at St. Louis, Mo., was captured at Murphysboro Ill., on the 3d. He acknowledges the crime, but says it was committed in self-defense.

On the night of the 24th, Louis Nottel, an expert drug dealer, suffering from hemorrhage of the lungs, disappeared from the Central hospital, at Omaha, Neb., and no trace of him could be found. On the 3d his body was found floating in the Missouri River, he having committed suicide.

REPORTS of the earthquake in the Vale of Cashmere were greatly exaggerated.

The steamer Caspian from Baltimore arrived at Liverpool on the 3d. Her captain, who was missing during the voyage, and it is supposed he committed suicide by jumping overboard in the night.

The railroad bridge across the Ohio River at Henderson, Ky., is completed.

JUNE 28th is agreed upon by the Illinois Legislature for final adjournment.

The British Parliament reassembled on the 4th.

JOHN KELLY is at Clifton Springs, N. Y., trying to get well, with fair prospects of success.

TURKEY has been snubbed by Russia. The overtures of the Porte for an alliance were rejected.

THE operations have been ordered to remain at Alexandria, Egypt, for the present.

A PLANNING mill with lumber, shingles, etc., to the amount of \$80,000, were destroyed by fire at Buffalo, N. Y., on the 4th.

HENRY WARD BEECHER's son Herbert has been appointed Collector of Customs at Port Townsend.

LONDON society is agitated over the Admiral Colridge libel suit, now on trial.

GENERAL ROBERTSON has been appointed Register of the Treasury.

By a runaway at Erie, Pa., on the 4th, three persons were killed outright and two more fatally injured.

The motion in the French Chamber of Deputies to impeach Ferry's Ministry was voted down.

PEOPLES of Halifax, Nova Scotia, are agitating for a reciprocity treaty with the United States.

THE Suez Canal Conference at a plenary sitting on the 4th, considered a draft of the proposed treaty without discussion.

ABE BUZZARD, the notorious Pennsylvania outlaw, surrendered to the authorities of Lancaster County on the 4th.

In replying to an address at Kingston, Ireland, Archbishop Croke said he "wished to see Orangemen broken down."

T. J. CLIVERUS was found guilty at Haineslock, Va., of the murder of Fannie L. Madden, his cousin, on the 5th.

GUATEMALA has added ten per cent. to the duties on imported merchandise and ten per cent. to contracts made with Government lenders.

SEVERAL iron and rolling departments of several iron mills at Pittsburgh, Pa., are expected to start up on the 7th inst.

THE Lake Erie & Western Railroad has been ordered sold by the United States Circuit Court to satisfy a judgment for \$55,000.

PARIS newspapers say some very severe threats of the London Aldermen for not passing resolutions of condolence on the death of Hugo.

NATURAL objects just returned from Panama say the people there would like to have the United States take possession of the country.

The effect of a recent understanding between Germany and Spain will be to mark the rate of American rice to three marks per 100 kilograms.

MINISTER LOTHROP addressed a joint session of the Michigan Legislature, on the 4th, eulogizing Russia for her position toward this country at a critical period.

SEVERAL sticks of giant powder were found on the 4th, concealed about the private car of Superintendent Cummins, of the Texas Pacific Road, at Marshall, Tex.

THE Hon. G. Thompson, Inspector of public buildings of the Treasury Department, has been accepted, to take effect June 15th. He resigned by request of Secretary Manning.

THE Russian corvette Strelak left her moorings in New York harbor on the 4th and proceeded to sea. Her destination is supposed to be Havre.

The Russian naval maneuvers have been begun.

At Gulgell's Station, Ind., on the 6th, John Butcher, killed James H. Winnis, and when pursued, killed himself.

JOS. CLARKE, colored, was hanged at Bolivar Station, Tenn., on the 5th.

CHOLERA is said to be increasing in Valencia, Spain.

A CONVENTION of real estate dealers of the United States will be held at Cedar Rapids, Ia., June 23d.

The Korean difficulty between China and Japan has been amicably settled.

THE graduating exercises began at the Annapolis Naval Academy on the 5th. MINISTER PHILLIPS gets words of comfort from the Illinois Times.

A PARTY of the stone coping of the Court-house at Augusta, Ga., fell, killing a colored man named Harris.

A BRITISH protectorate has been formed over the districts of the river Niger in Africa.

SERGEANT JAMES CAMPBELL, of the Third Artillery, stationed at Washington barracks, attempted suicide on the 5th by shooting.

MRS. J. HALL, Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, was slightly damaged by fire on the 5th. It contained valuable art collections.

The French have ordered a cordon to be formed on the Pyrenees to keep out the cholera.

It has been discovered that Scott, the absconding Manhattan Bank teller, was a confirmed poker player and loved rum punches.

CHARGES of bribery and corruption have been made in the Illinois Legislature, and a committee of investigation has been put at work.

AGITATION and protests of the people have accomplished a reduction of the extra duty on spirits in England.

At Cincinnati, O., on the 5th, Inspector of Police James Dunn and Chief of Detectives Charles Wapenstein were arrested on charges of blackmail.

SIR PETER LUMSDEN has been interviewed by the London Times, and declared he will not return to India.

The Greenback Labor party of Ohio met at Columbus on the 5th, adopted resolutions and nominated a full State ticket, headed by J. W. Northrop for Governor.

A CRISIS is at hand in the English Cabinet. Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Charles Dilke having threatened to resign.

REWARDS have been offered for the arrest and conviction of the parties who attempted to blow up the special car of Superintendent Warden Cumming at Marshall, Tex.

The hospitable and liberal manner in which Secretary Bayard has been received in Chicago, has been the subject of much pleasant comment in Washington.

It is reported from Washington that matters are being shaped so that within the next thirty days there will be more removals and appointments than in the past three years.

CONSUL MACKAY, at Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, has been exonerated and commended for his chastisement of an insolent editor.

CONFIDENTIAL clerk in the United States sub-treasury at New Orleans has absconded, and the Assistant Treasurer will have to make good over \$50,000 stolen from the Government.

It seems now that first reports of the Cashmere earthquake were not so greatly exaggerated after all. Many hundreds of people were killed. The telegraph lines are prostrated and news is hard to get.

O'NEIL & Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa., leading operators on the New York Stock Exchange, have demanded a reduction of one-half cent per bushel in the rate of mining.

The men say they will not accept.

An explosion of gas occurred at Isabella Barracks, Burlington, on the 5th. Louis Buller, an employee, was killed and several others were injured. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

A CANON CITY (Col.) special says: Myriads of young grasshoppers, evidently just hatched out in warm weather, made their appearance on the south side of the Arkansas River, opposite this place. It is said that the insects are not much dreaded. The locusts will be incapable of doing much damage.

DR. CARNE told a Berlin interviewer recently that he would undertake to revive the commercial relations of Germany and the United States.

It reports from Southern New Mexico are correct the Indians are leaving a trail that is thought to be in Boston for a while, marked as it is by dead bodies, ruins of homes and other evidences of their fiendish barbarity.

THE Grand Jury at Montreal, Can., have returned true bills on twenty-two indictments for forgery and uttering forged bank notes.

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## MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

St. Louis offers the following amusement attractions for the coming week: People's Theater, N. Y. Comic Opera Company in "Magic Square"; Uhlrig's Cava, Ford's Opera Company in "La Fille in Madame Angot"; inaugural Spring Meeting St. Louis Fair-Horse department; Panorama "Siege of Paris," open day and night.

Father Kelly of the Church of the Holy Angels, St. Louis, celebrated his silver jubilee on the 31st inst., and was presented on the occasion with a purse of \$1,000 in gold by his parishioners.

A lad named Ed. Smith, living in St. Joseph, put about a half pound of powder in a tub of an old wheel, and dropped a lighted paper into it. Before he could get away the ammunition flashed and burned the boy terribly about the face and head.

Governor Marmaduke has granted a pardon to George D. Burgess, who was convicted at the March term, 1883, of the Platte County Circuit Court of manslaughter in the second degree.

The eighteenth volume of the decisions of the Supreme Court is now completed and ready for distribution. It contains 280 cases, all decided at the October term, 1883. It will be observed that the reports are fully a year behind. The present reporter, P. M. Brown, is doing all possible to catch up.

Henry Buck, fourteen years old, son of an old gardener, who has a stand on Market Square, St. Joseph, dropped dead a few days ago while standing beside his team. Cause of death, heart disease.

Frederick of Chicago contractor and two of the growing crops. Only two correspondents, one each for St. Louis and St. Charles Counties, mention the Hessian fly. Only a few cases of grasshoppers or locusts are reported.

The Board of Managers of Lunatic Asylum No. 2, located at St. Joseph, have awarded to Joseph Downey, of Chicago, the contract for building the \$98,000 addition to the asylum. There were five bids in all. The damage is heavy to the State.

The most severe storm of the season struck Burlington Junction, north of St. Louis, on the 5th inst. It was a heavy rain, and the result was a great loss of property. The lumber-yard office were blown down, and Gillette's machine-shop was struck by lightning. One man was killed. The entire lower part of the town was struck by lightning.

The prison inspectors held a session at Jefferson City a few days ago, and talked over the location of the branch Penitentiary. No action was taken, but it is reported that the board stand as follows: Auditor, J. W. Northrop; Treasurer, J. W. Northrop; Secretary, J. W. Northrop; and Attorney-General, J. W. Northrop.

Samuel M. Bowman, of Kansas City, Brigadier-General of Pennsylvania volunteers during the rebellion, died a few days since of paralysis of the brain.

During May there were 35,689 pounds of mail sent by the St. Louis Post-office, equal to over 900,000 pieces. Of postal cards there were 3,386 pounds and 6 ounces; circulars, 24,679 pounds and 10 ounces; all other third-class matter, 1,876 pounds; merchandise, 16,823 pounds.

Mr. Martin Bruns has struck a vein of coal at Lexington at a depth of 165 feet, forty-one inches in thickness. Arrangements are being made to sink a shaft to the bottom of the vein.

Captain Wm. Todd has been appointed Commissioner of construction for the branch Penitentiary, but the site has not yet been chosen.

Sedalia officers had a battle with burglars a few nights ago, in which one of the latter was killed and the other was seriously wounded by a pistol shot.

Some consternation was created a few days ago by a portion of the public school building at Independence falling while the school board were on the grounds laying out the foundation for the new building.

Several members of the Board narrowly escaped, and the action of the Board in condemning the old building early in the spring, is now appreciated by the hundreds of parents whose children attended the school.

The annual session of the Ancient Order of Druids was held in Kansas City last week. The opening address was made by Noble Grand Arch. Bernard Klein of St. Louis. The following officers were then elected: Noble Grand Arch. J. A. J. Arnold, of St. Louis; Deputy Grand Arch. Chas. Muench; Grand Secretary, J. W. Neiderhof, of St. Louis; Grand Marshal, Frank Muehschlag, of Kansas City; Grand Guardian, A. Fluhrer, of Marysville, Kan.; Grand Sentinel, A. Eckert, of Canton, Mo.

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